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Enclosed herewith we submit Sheet Nos. 4, 6 and 7 of the PCT Request filed on March 31, 2005, now bearing the outstanding signatures of the inventors H.-W. Krell and G. Zimmermann (Sheet Nos. 4 and 7) and indicating the international application number (Sheet No. 6).

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I hereby declare that I am the original, first and sole (if only one inventor is listed below) or joint (if more than one inventor is listed below) inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.

This declaration is directed to the international application of which it forms a part (if filing declaration with application).

This declaration is directed to international application No. PCT/EP2005/003348 (if furnishing declaration pursuant to Rule 26ter).

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